

# NEWS AND GOSSIP OF WASHINGTON FRATERNAL CIRCLES

## Masonic Activities.

The Fellowship Club, composed of Master Masons employed in the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, held its first regular meeting after the summer recess Saturday evening, in Pythian Temple, entering the sixth year of its existence. The prime object of the club has been achieved, as manifested by the large number of members present. The president of the club, Samuel T. Farmer, wearing a heavy coat of tan as an evidence of his recent motor trip to Atlantic City and other New Jersey resorts, called the meeting to order and paid a high tribute to the Fraternity Band, whose members were the guests of the evening. He complimented them upon their remarkable progress in the past year, and to the effects of the leader, Frederick L. Wilken. At the conclusion of a short business session, a program of instrumental and vocal music, dialect stories and a number of selections by the Fraternity Band were enjoyed. Refreshments and cigars were served.

### Kallipolis Grotto.

A special meeting of the various committees of Kallipolis Grotto Drill Corps having in charge the program for the Drill Corps October 19 was held Thursday evening.

Many interesting and novel features have been worked up by the publicity committee for entertaining the guests of the evening will be given handsome and valuable tokens of the esteem in which they are held by the members of the Drill Corps. Spooky ghosts, goblins, witches and rattling bones will play important parts in the fading of the moonlight. The women attending the dance will bring gladness to the heart of the committees if they will appear in fancy costumes in keeping with the Halloween season.

The refreshments have been planned to carry out the scheme of Halloween, and the chief of the Willard Hotel has promised to provide the goblins and fairies with ghost dances. The committee is anxious to "watch the fleeting moonrays," for in those rays will be the selections of the King of Fairyland of his Queen and her ladies of the royal palace.

In addition to the dancing, one of the most unique and novel programs ever planned will be carried out. Members of the Drill Corps have determined to make this their first dance, one that will never be forgotten. The guests of the evening have been placed on sale throughout the city and can be obtained from all members of the Drill Corps.

Recruiting in the corps is progressing rapidly. Capt. V. Keating wants a large number of recruits for the convention of the Supreme Council, which will meet in this city. Drill corps from all over the United States will attend, and the officers of Kallipolis Grotto Drill Corps have determined to make the most of the recruiting Washington one of the best in the parade.

General Chairman William F. Gude is lending every encouragement to the corps and is advocating prompt recruiting and strict attendance at all drills in order that the National Capital's representatives may make the best showing during the convention.

As an evidence of the energy displayed by Kallipolis Grotto Drill Corps, two weeks before its departure for Detroit last June to attend the Supreme Council Convention in that city, of the \$500 or more necessary there was available but 25 cents, no uniforms and no arms. However, they attended the convention, made a splendid showing in the grand parade and received honorable mention in the drilling contest.

An enthusiastic group of prophets of Kallipolis Grotto assembled at the New Willard Hotel Friday evening to greet and confer with Prophet William F. Gude, chairman of the committee in charge of the Supreme Council convention, to be held in this city next June. After explaining that the purpose of the meeting was to begin plans for the convention, Monarch George H. Emmons, Jr., said the Grotto was to be congratulated in having Prophet Gude as chairman of the convention committee. Prophet Gude said upon assuming the chair that he would do all in his power to make the convention the best ever held by the Order of Veiled Prophets. He spoke of the city's adaptability for convention and predicted that the visitors would return to their homes with praise for the people of the Nation's Capital.

Monarch Emmons announced a ceremonial at Odd Fellows' Hall on the evening of October 30.

The Grotto Band entertained the Masonic Bowling League Monday evening last, prior to which Deputy Grand Monarch E. S. Schmid acted as host to the band at his residence.

Aryan Grotto of Chicago, is planning a mammoth ceremonial September 27.

## The Odd Fellows.

Monday—Langdon, No. 28, third degree; Union, No. 11, business; Beacon, No. 13, business.

Tuesday—Amity, No. 2, degree; Washington, No. 6, business; Golden Rule, No. 10, business.

Wednesday—Eastern, No. 7, degree; Federal City, No. 23, degree; Harmony, No. 9, business.

Thursday—Excelsior, No. 17, degree; Salem, No. 2, second degree; Columbia, No. 18, business; Covenant, No. 12, business.

Friday—Central No. 1, degree; Metropolitan, No. 16, degree; Phoenix, No. 1, business.

ENCAMPMENTS.

Tuesday—Fred D. Stuart, No. 7, business.

Wednesday—Columbia, No. 1, degree.

PATRIARCHS MILITANT.

Saturday—Canton Washington, No. 1, drill and social.

Past Grand W. E. Lawson, president of the I. O. O. F. Bowling League, has called a meeting of the league for tomorrow evening in the Blue room of I. O. O. F. Hall at 8 o'clock to fix schedules for the season. Last season each lodge had a team in the league. At the close of last season's series the league presented to the Odd Fellows' Home Association a large donation.

Columbian Encampment No. 1 will confer the degree at their meeting on Wednesday evening. Secretary Frank D. Seifert, Grand Representative of the Grand Encampment, who has been attending the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge at Chattanooga, will be unable to be present in time for the meeting. Chief Patriarch W. H. Perkins requests all members to be present, as consideration will be given plans for the work of the coming months.

Salem Lodge No. 22 will confer the second degree at its regular meeting Thursday evening. Degree Director Joseph K. Davison will have charge of the degree team. Regular work will be one of the features of each meeting hereafter during the term. Salem Lodge was the banner lodge in gain of members during the past two terms, but reports indicate that Langdon Lodge No. 28 will be the winner this term. Saturday evening, October 14, Salem Lodge will pay a fraternal visit to Forest Lodge of Forestville, Md. Members who desire to go will notify the secretary.

Langdon Lodge No. 28 will confer the third degree on a "class of candidates" tomorrow evening, with Degree Director Past Grand M. S. Fall in charge. At the last meeting the second degree was conferred upon a class of nine candidates and it is expected the class tomorrow evening will be

as large. Grand Master W. J. Hope, accompanied by officers of the Grand Lodge, will officially visit Langdon Lodge Monday evening, October 2. This will be the first Grand Visitation in the fall series. Noble Grand Mettler expects every member of Langdon Lodge to be present on this occasion. Grand Instructor Randall reports all officers proficient in the work of the degrees.

Friendship Lodge, No. 12, will receive by transfer at its next meeting several members from other jurisdictions. At the last meeting a large number of members were present and arrangements were made to commence active degree work the beginning of next month and to confer degrees at every meeting of the lodge during the remainder of the term. It is reported that this year will show a large increase in membership in the lodge, and in other works of the order the lodge members have been active. The Odd Fellows' Home Association has been assisted financially and in all matters pertaining to the advancement of the Odd Fellowship the members have at all times taken an active interest.

Federal City Lodge, I. O. O. F., conferred the second degree last Wednesday, with Degree Director in charge of the degree team. Among the visitors were Brothers Pyle, New Haven, Conn.; H. B. Brown, Richmond, Va.; and J. H. Caswell, Concord, N. H. Announcement is made of the death on September 20, of Dr. G. T. Brewster, who directed the Federal City prize degree team at Richmond, Va., several years ago. Noble Grand Teague announces the second degree for next Wednesday. He also appointed Charles E. G. Wood and H. G. Rambo a committee to further the candidacy of Past Grand Master John H. Wood for the office of grand representative. The roll call is slated for October 1.

The second degree was conferred upon two candidates of Eastern and one of Excelsior Lodge, No. 17, last Wednesday night. A number of visitors from Excelsior accompanied their candidate. In the absence of Degree Director Lawson, Past Grand Kelly took charge. Programs of the fall visitations of the Grand Lodge were distributed. The third degree will be conferred next Wednesday, after which refreshments and entertainment will be provided.

### The Rebekah Degree.

Monday—Ester, No. 5, business and social.

Wednesday—Mount Pleasant, No. 9, degree.

Friday—Martha Washington, No. 2, business; Duran, No. 4, business.

Ester Lodge, No. 5, after the regular business of the lodge is concluded, will give the evening to a social entertainment. The entertainment committee will not give out any indication as to the nature of the entertainment. Grand Herald H. L. Anderson is making elaborate plans to give all members and visitors a most enjoyable evening. At the last meeting a large number of members and visitors were present and participated in the linen shower for the benefit of Odd Fellows' Home. Past Noble Grand Anna Billings, chairman of the committee having in charge the furnishing of Ester's room at the home, reports that the hardwood floor has been laid and the room papered and painted and now is ready for the furniture. Deputy Grand Master W. J. Hope is holding weekly rehearsals of the degree team, preparatory to commencing degree work at the first meeting in October.

Ruth Lodge, No. 2, will celebrate its thirtieth anniversary at its next meeting by holding an Odd Fellows' Home meeting and a roll call of members, when a linen donation will be given by members as their names are called. At the same time the home committee will receive the penny strips distributed among the members several months ago. The program will be devoted to the interest of Odd Fellows' Home.

Naomi Lodge, No. 1, celebrated its forty-first anniversary at its last meeting with a special program of musical numbers and recitations. A linen shower for Odd Fellows' Home was one of the features and each member presented a piece for the home as the chairman of the meeting. Past Noble Grand V. Estelle Yockley called the roll. The following program was rendered: Recitation, "Aunt Sarah's Visit to the Opera," and the "Tongue-Tied Woman," by Mrs. Fannie Chaffee; piano solo, Miss Mary P. Carter; addresses, Grand Master W. J. Hope and President Belle M. Carter of the Rebekah Assembly. Refreshments were served in the dining-room of the hall.

Pas Noble Grand Roberta V. Volland, chairman of the special ways and means committee of the Rebekah Assembly, has made arrangements for a theater party Tuesday evening, October 3, at Poll's Theater. Members of lodges who desire to attend are requested to obtain tickets from their representative on the special ways and means committee. The play, "Bringing Up Father," will be the attraction.

Fidelity Rebekah Lodge, No. 7, conferred the degree upon several candidates at their meeting, Tuesday evening and received reports of the committee having in charge the rummage sale on H street northeast between Thirteenth and Fourteenth the first three days of this week. The next meeting will be only a short business session and after the meeting all the members will join the theater party at Poll's on October 3.

President Belle M. Carter, of the Rebekah Assembly, has completed arrangements for a school of instruction for the Rebekah lodges, at which only the work of the degrees will be considered. The first session will be held in Miriam Lodge room Friday evening, October 6, at the close of Miriam Lodge meeting. All members of the Rebekah Degree are invited particularly officers.

Monday evening Esther Rebekah Lodge, No. 5, I. O. O. F., will hold its regular meeting in its lodge room in Odd Fellows' hall. The business of the evening will be transacted as quickly as possible so that the scheduled social may be held. This will be the first of a series of entertainments Harry L. Anderson, chairman of the entertainment committee, announces an unusual program. The younger set has been busy preparing for this event. Following the evening's big surprise, refreshments will be served. Members of other lodges and other jurisdictions are invited.

## Knights of Pythias.

Monday—Deatur, No. 9, business; Calantha, No. 11, page.

Tuesday—Webster, No. 7, business; Excelsior, No. 14, equine rank; Capital, No. 24, business; Myrtle, No. 25, business.

Wednesday—Mount Vernon, No. 5, business; Union, No. 22, business; Columbia, No. 28, page rank.

Friday—Hermione, No. 12, business; Syracuseans, No. 10, home-coming celebration and the knight rank.

Pythian Sisters.

Wednesday—Friendship Temple, No. 9, business.

Friday—Rathbone Temple, No. 1, initiation.

Syracusan Lodge, No. 10, has arranged a home-coming celebration for Friday night, and all members of the lodge are urged to be present or send a letter. The fraternal in general is also invited. A program fitting to the occasion has been planned.

The team of the lodge expects to confer the knight rank on a candidate who has already received the page and equine

rank in this lodge; at the request of Eustis Lodge, of Eustis, Fla.

The committee on the celebration in honor of Past Supreme Chancellor Dunn and Mrs. Dunn held a meeting Thursday night and considered plans for the event. Word has been received by Grand Chancellor Dickman that Supreme Chancellor Brown will be unable to be present on account of a previous engagement, and it is expected that he will designate some officer or member of the Supreme Lodge to represent him. Miss Gertrude Lyons, and others have been engaged to furnish the musical and literary features of the program. The next meeting will be held Thursday night. The celebration will be held in the auditorium of the Pythian Temple Friday night, October 20.

The ways and means committee of the Pythian order, at last night's meeting, heard reports of committees relating to past and future events beneficial to the order.

Webster Lodge, No. 7, is planning to celebrate its fiftieth anniversary. The committee in charge of the event will meet tonight at 8 o'clock at the residence of the chairman, Maj. R. T. Whiting. Besides the large number of members of local lodges present, a number of visitors are expected to attend the convention of the lodge Tuesday night and made short talks. George C. Gumm, of Columbus Lodge, No. 3, Columbus, Ohio; Curtis L. Ryan, chancellor commander-elect, of Criterion Lodge, No. 127, Norfolk, Va., and others spoke.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 14, conferred the once rank Tuesday night, in the presence of a large assembly, which included members from most of the lodges of the District and many from outside jurisdictions. The team was assisted in the work by Past Supreme Representative Joseph R. Conner and Grand Chancellor Dickman. The Supreme Representative, Mark Stearnman spoke about the work of the recent convention of the Supreme Lodge. Short talks were made by the grand chancellor and others, and Past Chancellor Talbot Pulizzi, of Rathbone-Superior Lodge, gave dramatic recitations from Julius Caesar. The lodge will continue the work on a class at the next and the following conventions.

Calantha Lodge, No. 11, has the page rank scheduled for tomorrow night, when Chancellor Commander E. C. Buskirk hopes to welcome all members of a former lodge. Harmony, No. 21, which recently consolidated with Calantha Lodge, as well as all the latter's members and brothers of the order generally.

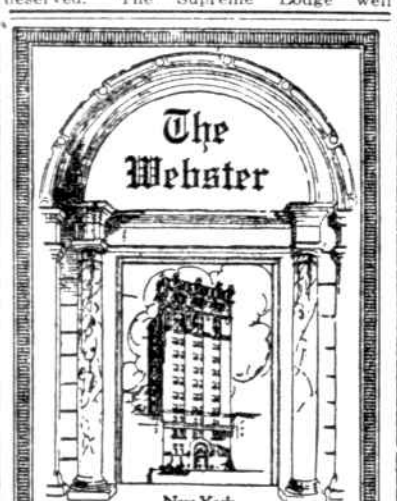
Columbia Lodge, No. 28, which is showing much activity, has the page rank scheduled for the next convention. The rank was conferred at the last meeting.

Grand Prelate C. W. Henderson made a fraternal visit to Hermione Lodge, No. 12, at the last convention. A number of Grand Lodge officers and others have planned a visit to this lodge next Wednesday night, when plans for an effective membership campaign will be discussed.

At a regular meeting of the board of directors of the Pythian Hall Association Monday night routine business was transacted.

Century Lodge, No. 30, held an interesting meeting Monday night, at which Rev. Patrick Murphy made an address and Supreme Representative Mark Stearnman reported to his home lodge the progress of the recent convention of the Supreme Lodge at Portland, Ore. The senior supreme representative, Albert Kahler, informed Century Lodge that he had taken many views on his trip to Portland, where he also attended the supreme convention, which he had planned to present to the local lodges by stereopticon. The lodge has arranged work in the first rank, and probably other ranks, for the next convention, October 2.

Junior Supreme Representative Mark Stearnman is highly praised in the August number of the Pythian Advocate of Minneapolis, for the successful work relating to the proposition to reward Past Supreme Chancellor Edward Dunn for his services as a pioneer and the proposition to grant an allowance to the widow of Abraham D. Vanderveer, an original member of the order, who was accidentally killed in this city several months ago. The Advocate closes an extensive article as follows: "It was good fortune, Mark, and the cause in both instances was extremely deserved. The Supreme Lodge well



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knew that Representative Stearnman was 'in town' during all the time of the convention."

## Pythian Sisters.

Rathbone Temple, No. 8, conducted the ritualistic funeral services of the order for Miss Mary Rose Steiner Friday night, at her late residence, 426 Eighth street northeast. Miss Steiner, who died Thursday after a brief illness, had long been a member, was a past chief of the temple and was very popular. She was grand manager of the Grand Temple of Pythian Sisters of Virginia and the District of Columbia and would have been advanced to the station of grand junior at the convention of the grand temple at Petersburg, Va., next month. Interment was at Frederick, Md., yesterday afternoon.

The officers and members of Rathbone Temple enjoyed a straw ride Monday night, an annual event with the organization.

## Knights of Columbus.

The regular meeting of Carroll Council was held last Tuesday evening. Grand Knight Frank A. Kidd presided. Charles W. Darr, master of the fourth degree for the District of Columbia and Maryland, and a staff of officers gave interesting accounts of the activities of the fourth degree.

Two hundred members of the order and their families are today enjoying an excursion held under the auspices of the Columbus Country Club to Old Point Comfort and nearby points.

The last dance held by the Columbus Country Club, Saturday evening, September 16, was largely attended.

The annual election of the fourth degree assembly was held last Monday evening with the following results: Faithful navigator, C. Eugene Edwards; faithful captain, L. A. Ratcliffe; faithful admiral, Dr. William E. Pairo; faithful pilot, John J. King; faithful friar, Father C. O. Rosentz; controller, E. G. Lennon; purser, Thomas K. Gallaher; faithful scribe, Conner Donnelly; inside sentinel, John E. Burns; outside sentinel, George A. Howe; delegates to the district convention, Dr. A. D. Wilkinson, Redmond DeVane, John A. Eckert and C. Eugene Edwards; alternates, Lawrence E. Dolan, John H. Pellen, Dr. A. J. Flynn and Thomas B. Nolan; drill master, C. Eugene Edwards.

The next meeting of Washington Council will be held Tuesday evening and will be a get-together assembly. The lecturer, F. J. Kreis, has provided a program of entertainment and refreshments.

At the next meeting of Potomac Council, Monday evening, Charles W. Darr, master of the fourth degree for the District of Columbia and Maryland, and his staff will be present.

The exemplification of the fourth degree on Discovery Day, October 12, is expected to be one of the most successful ever held in this jurisdiction. Discovery Day exercises will be held Sunday evening, October 8, in memory of Christopher Columbus. There will be a speaker of national importance, and an attractive musical program has been arranged.

## The Maccabees.

Mount Vernon Tent, No. 4, held its regular meeting at New Masonic Temple, Eighth and F streets Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, with an overflow meeting. Seven new members—Messrs. Kirkman, Kreckel, Hammond, Cline, Clifton, Kump, and Wildman—were initiated. The tent's deputy, Frank E. Springmann, filed three additional applications.

Sir Knight Foster, from National Tent, delivered a speech on "Why He Is a Maccabee." Speeches also were made by Sir Knights Adamson, Springmann and others. Refreshments were served by Sir Knight Sturges. Entertainments, with refreshments, will be given every month during the winter by this tent.

A. W. Frye, newly appointed field marshal of Maccabees, conducted a session of State commanders and deputy State commanders of Maryland, North Carolina, Virginia and the District of Columbia at the Hotel Raleigh last Tuesday. New plans and policies were discussed and a plan of action drafted for these States and the District of Columbia.

Owing to press of business in Virginia, which requires his immediate attention, Supreme Commander D. W. Gall, of this city, has delegated the work in the District of Columbia to Deputy State Commander H. W. Phillips. State Commander H. W. Phillips, requests the assistance of all members of the District for the next sixty days.

The regular meeting of Mount Vernon Review, No. 2, will be held in Pythian Temple Monday evening. Commander Mrs. Hattie E. Taylor and Recorder Mrs. Mary A. Van Ness will choose their assistants for the fall recruiting campaign. Reports show a successful three-day rummage sale.

## Improved Order of Red Men.

At the recent annual session of the Great Council of the United States in Wildwood, N. J., from September 11 to 15, the following great chiefs were elected: Judge Thomas H. Jeffries, of Atlanta, great Inchoonee; James T. Rogers, Birmingham, N. Y., great senior sarakome; Judge A. G. Rutherford, Nashville, great junior sarakome; Frederick O. Downs, Boston, great prophet; Wilson Brooks, Chicago, great chief of records; D. K. Reed, Clarkburg, W. Va., great keeper of wampum; Great Inchoonee Jeffries made the following appointments: Charles H. Bisch, of Indiana, great to-cakon; Clare W. Robinson, of Montana, great minea; Clarence R. Winfield, of California, great guard of forest.

The most important legislation passed was a measure to take advantage of existing laws relative to meeting biennially and the next session will be held in 1918 at Hot Springs, Ark.

Wildwood was over-run with Red Men and their families. A parade was held on the 13th, which was two hours in passing a given point.

Past Great Sachem James A. Madison, Jr., representative from this city, and Dr. H. W. Tippett attended the business sessions.

Mincola Tribe, at its last meeting, conferred the chief's degree on E. H. Ware and considered the application of Harry

A. Boss. This tribe recently adopted a resolution raising its initiation fee to \$25.

White Eagle Tribe will present the Red Men's scroll to Osage Tribe October 23. All members of the order are invited to witness the ceremony.

Oseola Tribe reports that T. M. Stump is still sick but slowly improving. Mr. Mercer, member of Commanche Tribe, of Atlanta, is being looked after by the relief chiefs of Oseola. Messrs. McCauley, Clemmons and Tolson have recovered sufficiently to be at work again. Several applications were entertained and will be held in reserve for the class adoption October 17.

Seneca Tribe had as a visitor Mr. Hayes, of Rhode Island, at its last meeting. He made an interesting talk on the doings of the Red Men in his State. The bowling team of the tribe is getting in form for the opening games.

## Sons of Veterans.

At a meeting of William B. Cushing Camp, No. 30, Sons of Veterans, U. S. A., held Wednesday evening, it was decided to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of the Camp, probably with a banquet in December. Commander E. Albert Lang appointed the following committee to complete arrangements for the celebration: Herbert W. Rutledge, past commander, chairman; S. T. Cameron, past commander; Mr. Arthur J. Hall, past commander; Omar J. Voley, past commander; G. Sydney Hill, senior vice commander; J. Clinton Hiatt, junior vice commander; James S. Jones, guide; A. J. Schipper and A. Van Burt. Commander Lang is ex-officio member of the committee. Chairman Rutledge has appointed J. Clinton Hiatt, junior vice commander, as secretary. A meeting of the committee will be held in the near future. Ladies of the auxiliary and affiliated patriotic orders will be invited. Prominent speakers will be on the program. There are a number of charter members of the camp in the city who will be specially invited to the banquet.

Central Camp, M. W. A., No. 16015, met Friday night with Advisor J. S. from Christobal, Canal Zone, advised the camp that Consul H. C. Long will soon return to this city. C. M. Hunter, who has been at the Modern Woodmen of America Sanatorium at Colorado Springs for the last nine months, has been discharged from that institution and is now located at Greenville, Utah, where he expects to remain for a short time. E. P. Springer, a former trustee of the camp, now with the civilian office force of the United States Engineer Corps at San Antonio, Tex., writes interestingly of his new location. The committee on sports informed the camp that its plan for a Modern Woodmen bowling league has been received with enthusiasm by Georgetown Camp, No. 12560, and that camp has appointed a committee to co-operate in the formation of a league. Other camps are to be approached and the organization completed in time for early opening of activities. District Deputy Henry H. Millard addressed the camp, calling attention to the fact that one of the members of the Board of Directors,

Fraternat Council met on Thursday evening, September 14. One applicant was admitted. John C. Ashton, retiring president, was chosen financial secretary.

Potomac Council had an interesting meeting Monday evening, September 18. President Samuel Jacobson has promised something new in entertainment for the October meeting. The president of the order, Frank E. Ferguson, attended.

Central Council held an interesting business meeting on Monday evening at Perpetual Building Association Hall.

State, War and Navy Council held a meeting on Tuesday evening, September 19. Since the reduction of the admission fee for members to \$2 has been in effect the membership has grown rapidly.

Congressional Council met at Typographical Temple on Wednesday evening.

## Order of Eagles.

Weekly meetings of the entertainment committee of the Order of Eagles have been resumed. Monday night an unusually large attendance of members discussed plans for the social affairs of the winter. The Ladies' Auxiliary, formed last spring, is growing rapidly. It has planned a theater party for October, to be followed by other entertainments. Perhaps their best work is being done in the "get-acquainted" hour after the business session, when lunch is served in the Rathskeller. The new manager, Bro. Rupertus, is planning several innovations in the home, for the comfort of the members. The sick committee reports it is on a vacation, no members being ill.

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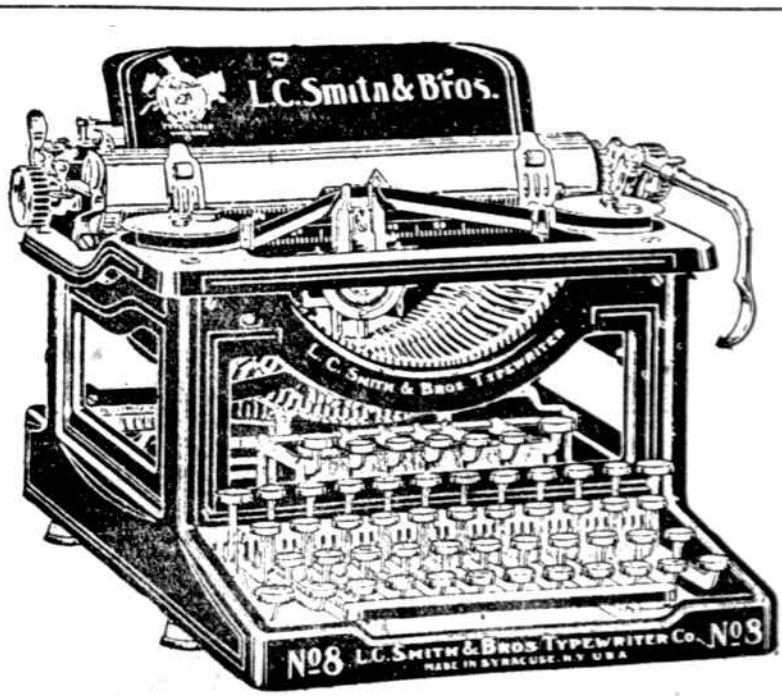
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